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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner surface of the recesses is coated on all sides with an electroconductive material, in particular a metal.

4. (amended) A system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the electroconductive material is provided by means of electrolysis.

5. (amended) A system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the thickness of the electroconductive material ranges between 25 μm and 40 μm , and is in particular approximately 35 μm .